MESSAGE

FROM THE

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,

TRANSMITTING A REPORT

OF

THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

FOR THE YEAR 1819.

MARCH 11, 1820.

Read, and ordered to lie upon the table.

WASHINGTON:

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1820.

TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE UNITED STATES:

I transmit to Congress a Report from the Director of the Mint, of the operations of that institution during the last year.

JAMES MONROE.

Washington, March 10th, 1820.

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

January 1st, 1820.

SIR: I have now the honor of laying before you a report of the operations of the Mint during the last year.

From the statement of the Treasurer, accompanying this report, it will appear that, within the above period, the coinage has been—

In gold,	51,723 pieces, amounting to	-	$ 258,615
In silver,	2,352,000 pieces, amounting to	-	1,140,000
In copper,	2,671,000 pieces, amounting to	-	26,710
Making, in the whole,	5,074,723 pieces, amounting to		$1,425,325

The amount of coinage would have been considerably greater had a sufficient supply of bullion been regularly furnished; but, for four or five months, no deposites of any consequence were received. During this interval, however, the workmen were advantageously employed in completing and improving the buildings and machinery belonging to the establishment; and the mint is now, it is believed, fully competent to coin all the gold and silver which it is probable will hereafter be received, as well as to carry on the copper coinage to any desirable amount; for, even with a single press, at the rate it is now working, eighty tons (seven and a half millions of cents) may be coined in the course of a year.

I have the honor to be,

With the greatest respect,

Your most obedient servant,

R. PATTERSON.

JAMES MONROE,

President of the United States.

A STATEMENT of the Coins struck at the Mint of the United States, from the 1st January to the 31st December, 1819.

	HALF EAGLES.	HALF DOLLARS.	QUARTER DOLLARS.	CENTS.	DOLLARS CTS.
Gold Coins - - -	51,723	-	-	-	258,615 00
Silver Coins - - -	-	2,208,000	144,000	-	1,140,000 00
Copper Coins - - -	-	-	-	2,671,000	26,710 00
	51,723	2,208,000	144,000	2,671,000	
	2,208,000				
	144,000				
	2,671,000				
Number of pieces - -	5,074,723			DOLLARS	1,425,325 00

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

TREASURER'S OFFICE, *Philadelphia*, 31st *December*, 1819.

JAMES RUSH.